1. Agenda Approval

Does the Board have any changes or additions to the agenda?

2. Minutes Approval

BOARD ACTION

To approve the minutes from April 20-21 as submitted.

3. Rolling Calendar

BOARD ACTION

To approve June 14-15, 2007 as the date and North Idaho College as the location for the June 2007 regularly scheduled Board meeting.



STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TRUSTEES OF BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
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TRUSTEES OF LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE
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DRAFT MINUTES STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION April 20-21, 2006 Whitewater/Clearwater Room University of Idaho Moscow, Idaho

A regular meeting of the State Board of Education was held April 20-21, 2006 in the Whitewater/Clearwater Room of the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho. President Rod Lewis presided. Members present were:

Rod Lewis, President Milford Terrell, Secretary Blake Hall Sue Thilo Laird Stone, Vice President Paul Agidius Karen McGee Marilyn Howard, State Superintendent

EXECUTIVE SESSION

M/S (Hall/McGee): To move into executive session, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1), on April 20, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. A roll call vote was taken; motion carried unanimously.

M/S (Lewis/Hall): To go out of Executive Session at 9:00 a.m. and move into Open Session. *Motion carried unanimously.*

In executive session, the Board (a) considered hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; (b) considered the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member of individual agent, or public school student; (c) conducted deliberations concerning labor negotiation or to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; (d) considered records that are exempt from public inspection; and, (f) considered and advised its legal representatives in pending litigation or where there is a general public awareness of probable litigation.

OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order at 9:20 a.m. by Board President Lewis. He acknowledged Paul Agidius' reappointment to the Board. He also recognized Darrell Manning, Laird Noh, and Senator John Goedde who were in the audience.

BOARDWORK

1. Agenda Review

By unanimous consent, the agenda was approved as submitted.

2. Minutes Approval

M/S (Lewis/McGee): To amend the minutes of February 3, 2006, March 28, 2006 and March 31, 2006 to show that Sue Thilo was in attendance. *Motion carried unanimously.*

M/S (Terrell/Agidius): To approve the minutes from February 3, 2006; February 22-23, 2006; March 9, 2006, March 28, 2006; and March 31, 2006, as amended. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Rolling Calendar

M/S (Terrell/McGee): To approve April 19-20, 2007 as the date and the University of Idaho as the location for the April 2007 regularly scheduled Board meeting; to approve May 10-11, 2007 as the date and Boise, Idaho as the location for the May 2007 regularly scheduled Board meeting. *Motion carried unanimously.*

OPEN FORUM

Ryan McBride, a student from Idaho State University, addressed the Board concerning student fees. He argued that the near-ten percent fee increases are out-pricing students. He noted that the high tuition increase each year allows the university administrators to put the financial burden on students rather than back on the legislature. He urged a cap on tuition increases so that present and future students can continue to pursue a higher education in Idaho.

Pasang Sherpa, a Nepalese student attending Lewis-Clark State College, spoke to the Board about the impact of fee and tuition increases on international students. She reported that international students often aren't aware that tuition and fees will increase so significantly after they enroll. The increasing costs force many of them to finish their education at other institutions in other states. She urged the Board to reconsider the tuition and fee increase proposed by LCSC.

Mick Sharkey, recipient of the Teacher of the Year award from Parma High School, thanked the Board for the honor and the opportunities that have come with the recognition. He shared about the science program at Parma High School and the achievements the students have been able to enjoy because of the advanced science studies they are able to engage in there. He described a partnership with Northwest Nazarene University that allows Parma High School science students to participate in college level courses. Mr. Sharkey discussed the outstanding accomplishments of other Teacher of the Year recipients nationwide and reported on the work taking place throughout the nation. He encouraged the Board to empower teachers in their role as leaders of change.

The Board congratulated Mr. Sharkey and expressed their appreciation for his outstanding work.

CONSENT AGENDA

M/S (Hall/McGee): To approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

1. BAHR – Section I – Boise State University – New Positions and Changes to Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by Boise State University for fifteen (15) new positions supported by appropriated and local funds; and title, term, salary and FTE changes to seven (7) positions.

2. BAHR – Section I – Idaho State University – New Positions and Changes to Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by Idaho State University for five (5) new positions (5.0 FTE) and to increase the FTE on one (1) position (0.62 FTE).

3. BAHR – Section I – University of Idaho – New Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by the University of Idaho to establish six (6) new positions supported by appropriated and non-appropriated funds.

4. BARH – Section I – Lewis-Clark State College – New Positions

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the request by Lewis-Clark State College to add one (1) new position supported by Auxiliary funds.

5. <u>BAHR – Section II – NCAA Academic Progress Rate (APR) Scores – for Boise State University, Idaho State University and University of Idaho</u>

Information item only.

6. BAHR – Section II – Idaho State University – Computer Systems Update

Information item only.

7. PPGAC – Alcohol Permits Issued by University Presidents

Information item only.

8. IRSA – Programs Approved by Executive Director – Quarterly Report

Information item only.

PLANNING, POLICY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

1. Presidents' Council Report

Board member Hall invited the institutions to provide brief updates related to the Presidents Council. Dr. Dene Thomas, Lewis-Clark State College, indicated that the Presidents Council had discussed the format of the report they will draft for the Board that compares similar programs at the institutions. In addition they discussed the issues of access, a statewide community college system and related legislative efforts. President Tim White, University of Idaho, and Dr. Jerry Beck, College of Southern Idaho expressed appreciation to Interim President Mike Gallagher, Idaho State University, for his assistance and participation over the past months. Bill Robertson, Eastern Idaho Technical College, reported that EITC's graduation is May 9th. Dr. Robert Kustra, Boise State University, commended the Board for their work on community colleges and high school redesign.

Board member Hall suggested the Board may want to appoint a study committee to assist the legislature's interim study committee related to community colleges. Board President Lewis took the suggestion under advisement.

2. University of Idaho Progress Report

Dr. Tim White presented the University of Idaho progress report and covered four key topics: (1) review of where the UI was in 2004-2005; (2) the 2005 Plan for Renewal and the 2006 Strategic Action Plan; (3) alignment of national observations with UI's recent investment decisions in five multi-disciplinary areas; and (4) the UI students' expression of their appreciation for unique opportunities. Dr. White closed with a DVD presentation highlighting a group of UI students who went to Mississippi to help homeowners clean up the devastation still remaining from Hurricane Katrina. He also recognized the work of Dr. Tom Bitterwolf.

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to follow the presentation by Idaho Public Television with items one and four of the Instruction, Research, and Student Affairs committee.

3. <u>Idaho Public Television Progress Report (IPTV)</u>

Peter Morrill updated the Board on the significant impact related to the cessation of analog television in 2009. He reported that the mandate from the federal government is for transmitter conversion, translator conversion, and the official shut off of analog television. He indicated that a massive conversion program was presented to the Board in 1999 which included the upgrade of primary transmitters and translators to mandated digital technology. He noted that much of the equipment being replaced in Idaho was installed 20-30 years ago. In closing, Mr. Morrill presented an overview of several award winning productions from the last year, including Moments in Time from the Journals of Lewis and Clark; Dialogue: A Parent Again; Outdoor Idaho: Lewis and Clark Among the Tribes; and Outdoor Idaho: Back to the Past.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS – Item 1

1. A Request by the University of Idaho to Reestablish the College of Art and Architecture

M/S (Terrell/Agidius): To approve the request by the University of Idaho to reestablish the College of Art and Architecture. Mr. Terrell withdrew his motion in order to bring this under Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda item Tab 9; Mr. Agidius agreed.

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to move this item to Tab 9 of the Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda.

President Tim White discussed the request and the steps that had taken place following the State Board of Education request in October 2005 to approve the College of Art and Architecture. He introduced Bill Woolston who was appointed Interim Dean on January 29, 2006.

Dr. White presented four interdependent requests: (1) to establish the College of Art and Architecture; (2) to authorize a Dean; (3) to authorize a student fee increase for students in college; (4) and, to change an existing department name from "Architecture" to "Architecture and Interior Design".

Dr. White reviewed the remaining task of establishing protocols and unambiguous partnerships for fundraising including finalizing relationships and names and functions among the UI, College of Art and Architecture, UI Foundation, College of Art and Architecture Foundation, and the College of Art and Architecture Dean's Advisory Board. The target date for completing this task is July 2006.

Dr. White summarized other remaining tasks and the Board discussed the request with Dr. White to clarify various points. Bill Woolston clarified that the name of the college is the College of Art and Architecture; one of the departments within the college is requesting that its name be changed to the "Department of Architecture and Interior Design."

Board member Terrell asked about outside money coming in to help redesign the college. Dr. White reported that there was no private money in the redesign plan and noted that no fundraising had occurred yet which is why the goal to establish protocols and unambiguous partnerships for fundraising is important.

There was lengthy discussion about lab and professional fees. Dr. White noted that students inside the college would not pay lab fees. Dr. White and Dean Woolston indicated that the professional fee specific to the College of Art and Architecture is one which the students will understand because they are attending a professional college.

Board member Thilo complimented Dr. White for the quality of the plan and the timeliness of getting the work done. She emphasized that fund raising activities must be consistent throughout the statewide system. Dr. White expressed confidence that would be the case. Dr. Howard encouraged Dr. White in his work on the resulting vision.

Board President Lewis asked for clarification on what the Board was being asked to approve in the fee area. Dr. White noted that the fee amount appeared under the Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda. He emphasized that the interdependence of the four requests related to the College of Art and Architecture means that without the approval of the fee, the concept cannot succeed.

Board President Lewis expressed concern about charging professional fees for students pursuing non professional degrees simply because those programs are included in the college. He asked how the professional fee applied to an art student and Bill Woolston explained why the Bachelor of Fine Arts is considered a professional degree.

Board member Hall noted that the Board requested that the University of Idaho have the College of Art and Architecture up and running by Fall 2006 after determining that the action taken by the former Executive Director to disband the College was outside his authority. After further discussion, the Board deferred further discussion on this item until later in the agenda.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS - Item 4

4. <u>National Center for Academic Transformation and University of Idaho Presentation on Mathematics Redesign</u>

Monte Boisen, Jr., Chair, University of Idaho Mathematics Department, presented the Mathematics Redesign report. He provided an overview of concepts from a study conducted by the National Center for Academic Transformation and discussed how they had been incorporated by UI's Polya Math Center to improve student learning. He discussed ways that the innovative techniques could be used in middle and high schools. Following his remarks the Board members briefly toured the center.

Carolyn Jarmon of the National Center for Academic Transformation discussed the work of the Center and various redesign projects throughout the country. She summarized a project involving 30 different institutions which were selected to conduct a rigorous evaluation focused on learning outcomes as measured by student performance and achievement. The resulting 30 course redesigns affected more than 50,000 students each year and produced three million dollars in annual savings while improving student learning outcomes. She suggested that the Board may want to consider the results of the NCAT study when addressing the technology grants.

At this time the Board returned to the Planning, Policy and Governmental Affairs agenda.

PLANNING, POLICY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS (continued)

4. Agency Reports

The agencies under the Board of Education were invited to deliver a brief presentation addressing budget and strategic planning issues.

- a. The School for the Deaf and the Blind Harvey Lyter reported that the Council for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing nominated ISDB staff member, Rod House, to serve on the Council. He summarized legislation that had passed which impacted Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind. He discussed the recommendations drafted by the Office of Performance Evaluations and issues raised by the restructuring legislation. He indicated that strides had been made in the utilization of campus facilities and that ISDB was looking at an outreach approach to parents and students statewide. He offered to make that information available to Board members. In response to a question from Dr. Howard, Mr. Lyter reported that most of the blind and visually impaired students are at a significant disadvantage on the ISAT because they can't be accommodated.
- b. The Idaho State Historical Society Steve Guerber summarized critical needs for the Board. He noted that re-accreditation of the Historical Museum is in jeopardy due to the reduction in positions that took place during the FY 2003 cutbacks and the failure to obtain resources necessary for upgrading the preservation of exhibits and processing of artifacts. Mr. Guerber explained that losing accreditation would make it hard to attract exhibits which would ultimately impact funds. He noted that the museum is short four positions. Mr. Guerber discussed the phase two and three needs of the Historical Museum and indicated that a full list of needs would appear in the strategic plan document that is submitted at a later date. He encouraged the Board to support the effort to obtain the necessary resources to address the backlog of needs.
- c. The Idaho State Library Ann Joslin reported that this year the library will become the Idaho Commission for Libraries. Their collection, both print and electronic, are that of a special library and one of their development services. They continue to offer publications to state libraries and the talking book services. Ms. Joslin

explained that libraries need to be able to deliver the information that digital natives need. As a learning organization, they are preparing for the future with a 2020 vision charge.

- d. The Division of Professional-Technical Education Mike Rush summarized the five items the agency identified and their budgetary implications. The five items are: (1) provide ongoing support for the Career Information System (CIS); (2) support needed growth in technical colleges; (3) address critical added cost needs for secondary programs; (4) improve the ability of professional-technical education programs to address critical education reform; and (5) to provide the necessary equipment to meet the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress requirements. In addition, Dr. Rush reported that the U.S. Department of Education had granted Idaho a hard-won waiver saving the state millions of dollars. He thanked the Governor, agency staff, other state officials, and U.S. Education Secretary Spellings for their effort on Idaho's behalf.
- e. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Michael Graham discussed the mission of the agency and noted that they are working with an ever increasing number of people coming out of adult and juvenile corrections. As a result, the agency is in the midst of reorganizing services in the Treasure Valley. Various challenges the agency faces in the future include the Tech Assistance program, the Renal Disease program, growth issues that result in the need for additional counselors, the need for job developers and converting to Microsoft. Mr. Graham reported that IDVR has a number of memorandums of understanding to create a synergistic effect in order to apply a vocational rehabilitation model in various settings as a compliment to approaches used by other agencies. He noted that with reductions in other agencies, IDVR has been creative in leveraging resources.

5. Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA): Proposed Rule and Update

M/S (McGee/Stone): To approve the rules for the Idaho Digital Learning Academy, Section 33-55-4, Idaho Code, Duties of the Academy Board of Directors, as submitted. *Motion carried 7-0 (Hall absent during the vote).*

Donna Vakili, Director of the Idaho Digital Learning Academy, made a presentation to the Board. She noted that there had been a 54% enrollment increase this past year and anticipated a similar increase next year. She distributed a packet of materials to the Board which included the list of courses offered last year. She reported that challenges faced by the IDLA include collaboration with local school districts, instructor abilities, cost and the need for adequate funding, growth and quality.

Dr. Vakili summarized the rule that is under consideration. Board member McGee thanked Dr. Vakili and encouraged her to keep the Board informed.

6. Reappointment of State Library Board Member

M/S (Terrell/McGee): To approve the appointment of Sara Staub to the Idaho State Library Board beginning on July 1, 2006 and ending on June 30, 2011. *Motion carried 7-0 (Hall absent during vote).*

7. <u>Legislative Update</u>

By unanimous consent, item 7 was deferred until later in the agenda and the Board moved to item 2 of the Instruction, Research, and Student Affairs agenda.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS – Item 2

2. Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) Presentation

Dr. Tim White introduced Dr. Jean'ne Shreeve, Idaho EPSCoR Project Director and Professor of Chemistry at the UI. Dr. Shreeve provided information to the Board. She introduced members of the Idaho EPSCoR Committee present in the audience: Laird Noh, Senator John Goedde, Charles Hatch, Darrell Manning and Kirk Sullivan. A handout was distributed to Board members. Dr. Joseph Daneck, formerly of the National Science Foundation and currently a consultant working with the implementation group of Idaho, made a presentation to the Board. He noted that in 2004, Idaho had one of the top proposals.

There was discussion about the membership of the EPSCoR Committee. Mr. Daneck confirmed that the NSF gives final approval on the membership based on their criterion. Board member McGee directed Board staff, in conjunction with the University of Idaho, Boise State University and Idaho State University, to review the membership qualifications and committee make-up, and to report back to the Board.

Board member Terrell raised a question about why BSU and ISU hadn't been able to apply for an EPSCoR grant. Dr. Shreeve emphasized that every proposal had been developed through the collaborative work of the three institutions. Mr. Daneck noted that the NSF focused on institutions with strong research backgrounds. Dr. Shreeve explained that UI acts as the fiscal agent. Dr. Robert Kustra of Boise State University observed that the historical record provided by Mr. Daneck didn't reflect the growth at BSU and ISU in terms of ability to compete.

Board President Lewis observed that the emotion expressed during the discussion was a result of how the grants are being determined. He noted that the concerns expressed are important for the Board to consider. He urged that there continue to be a fully collaborative spirit in the application of grants.

3. Renewal of Contract with Plato Learning, Inc.

M/S (Stone/Agidius): To approve the first of three one-year optional renewals of the

contract with Plato Learning, Inc., for the period beginning on June 16, 2006 and ending on June 15, 2007. *Motion carried unanimously.*

By unanimous consent the Board deferred item 5 of the Instruction, Research and Student Affairs agenda until later in the agenda. The Board also agreed to defer all items on the Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda in order to take up items 9 and 13 of the Finance section.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Section II – Finance

9. Amendment of Board Policy V.R. – Establishment of Fees – First Reading

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed to defer item 9 until the following day.

Jeff Shinn of the Board office presented this item. He noted it was not necessary to make a decision on item 9 in order to move to item 13, notwithstanding the issue related to UI and fees for current students. He indicated that this item had been back and forth to the financial vice presidents over the past year. Mr. Shinn noted that the proposed amendment would allow the institutions rather than the Board to set self-set fees.

Marilyn Davis of the Board office noted that this policy is for first reading so it won't go into effect until after its final reading. Board member Terrell asked to have this item deferred.

13. FY 2007 Student Fee and Tuition Reports

Jeff Shinn introduced this item.

a. Boise State University

M/S (Lewis/Hall): To approve for Boise State University an overall increase of 7.3% which would include a 4% increase in tuition and all other fees be accepted as presented, so that the total tuition will be \$4,154 for full-time students. Further, that the same percentage be applied to the education fees for part-time students. *Motion carried 7-1 (Howard dissenting).*

Amended M/S (Agidius): That the facility fee increase is dropped off at the end of 30 years. (Motion was withdrawn.)

Substitute M/S (Howard/Hall): To incorporate the original motion, but eliminate the \$150 increase for facilities, for a total of \$4,004. *Motion failed 3-5 (Howard, Hall, and Agidius voted Aye).*

Stacy Pearson, Boise State University, discussed the Boise State University fee increase proposal. BSU's final recommendation is for an 8.73% fee increase which would address tuition, technology fee, facilities fees and student activity fees.

Dwight Park Hayes, Boise State University Associated Student Body President and Texie Evans, former ASB Vice President discussed the tuition and fee increases with the Board. They indicated that student recommendations had been considered by the administration. Dr. Kustra commended the student leaders at BSU. In response to a question from the Board, Stacy Pearson noted that carry forward into FY2006 is about \$16 million.

Board member Agidius and Hall both expressed concerns that facility fees never seem to go away. Board member Hall pointed out that accessibility remains a concern in terms of increased fees. He noted that over five years, tuition at BSU has increased by 46.4% and facility fees have increased by 55.3%. Dr. Kustra agreed that affordability is an issue, but explained that facilities are needed to keep up with growth. Board President Lewis noted that the Board is careful each year when deciding about tuition and fees because it is responsible to make education accessible.

Dr. Howard made a substitute motion to address the facility fees given the overall increase in that amount over the last five years.

b. <u>Idaho State University</u>

M/S (Hall/Thilo): To approve for Idaho State University a tuition increase of 4% and all the fees accepted as proposed, so that their total increase would be 4.75% in the amount of \$4,190. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Ken Prolo, Idaho State University, summarized the process undertaken by Idaho State University to arrive at their tuition and fee request of seven percent. He reviewed the changes to the matriculation and other general education fees, the technology fees, the student activity fees for both full-time and part-time students, and the physician assistant professional fees.

Matt Hobson, outgoing ISU Associated Student Body President, Ryan Sargent, Associated Student Vice President, and incoming Associated Student Body President Will Hopkins discussed student input related to the fee recommendation. They noted that the students are supportive of the recommended fee increase. Dr. Mike Gallagher expressed his appreciation in working with the students and noted that that ISU is agreeable to reducing the fee increase to four percent, and to reducing the activity fees to 4.7%.

Dr. Howard asked about the carry forward amount. Ken Prolo offered to provide that information at a later time.

c. University of Idaho

M/S (Agidius/Stone): To approve for the University of Idaho a matriculation fee increase of 8.5% and a student activity fee increase of 8.5% and all other fees be as presented with the overall fee being \$4,249 for a total 7.09% increase. *Motion failed 4-4 (Hall, McGee, Terrell, and Lewis dissenting).*

M (Stone): To approve for the UI a matriculation fee increase of 5.93% for an overall increase of 6.95% and \$4,244. Motion failed for lack of a second.

M/S (Agidius/Stone): To approve for the UI a matriculation fee increase of 8% and an activity fee increase of 8% for an overall total of 6.67% at \$4,232. (This motion was replaced by a substitute motion).

Substitute M/S (Howard/Thilo): To approve for the UI a matriculation fee increase of 8.5% with the student activity fee increase remaining as proposed for a total of \$4,309. (This motion was replaced by a second substitute motion.)

Second Substitute M/S (Lewis/McGee): To increase the UI total fees to \$4,200, to be used however the UI wants to direct that amount, which would be a total increase of 5.85%. *Motion carried 5-3 (Howard, Thilo, Agidius dissenting).*

Dr. White noted that University of Idaho has compelling and unique circumstances and that philosophically the students are the last place the University goes to address costs. He indicated that facilities are a need and that faculty salaries are at a crisis point. Also, UI needs the resources to meet their commitment in the interdisciplinary programs and they have an unfunded mandate with the College of Art and Architecture. Dr. White reminded the Board that UI cannot use the matriculation fee to meet certain costs. They have extraordinary leadership costs occurring at the institution due to enormous turnover. Dr. White expressed frustration with the process.

Nancy Dunn, University of Idaho, presented the UI request to the Board and made comparisons to peer group fees. She noted the comparisons provide justification for the UI fee request. She noted that the UI has no contingency reserve.

ASB President Humberto Cerrillo reported that the students support the fee increase and explained that the increase presents an opportunity to change the culture of the campus community and echoed Dr. White's frustration. He urged the Board of Education to support the students by approving the recommended fee increase.

Bob Zumetra, Chair of the Faculty Council, concurred with President White's comments related to the crisis with faculty and staff salaries. He reiterated that there are hidden costs when the institution loses a faculty member. He indicated the process had increased faculty trust towards administration.

Board member McGee asked if there were any one-time costs being addressed and Nancy Dunn noted that the fee increases do not represent one-time fee requests.

Board President Lewis encouraged each institution to remember that the legislative session impacts any decision the Board ultimately makes each year related to fees and tuition. He reiterated that student fees have gone up every year. He noted that the Board appreciated the needs of all the institutions, but it cannot continue to increase the fees by ten percent every year. He suggested it may be better to change the guidelines so that the cap is three-to-four percent. Then it would require a compelling argument to ask for anything more.

Board member Hall pointed out that the matriculation rate at the University of Idaho has increased almost 64% over the past five years. He also noted that the legislature approved increased funds for higher education this past session in recognition of the needs brought forth by the Board and the institutions. He reiterated that the process is well thought out by the Board and emphasized that it is impossible to justify a steady ten percent increase each year.

Board member McGee agreed that once the Board sees what the legislature does, the Board has to respond accordingly.

Board member Agidius made a motion. Board member Stone indicated that he recognized the need for an increase at less than ten percent but greater than four percent.

Board member Stone made a motion but it failed for lack of a second. Board member Agidius made another motion.

Board member Thilo noted that UI is unique and that the Board needs to be responsive to their needs. Dr. Howard expressed her concern about the unique needs of the UI and made a motion reflecting that concern. Board President Lewis and Board member Hall reiterated that all the institutions are unique.

Board President Lewis clarified that the intent of his substitute motion is that it includes all Other Fees except for the professional fees for the College of Art and Architecture, which would be discussed later.

d. Lewis-Clark State College

M/S (Hall/McGee): To approve for LCSC a tuition fee increase of 6%, with the technology fee and activity fee as recommended by the institution, for a total fee of \$3,897 at 4.9%. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Dr. Dene Thomas addressed the Board and described the process that Lewis-Clark State College undertook to arrive at a recommended fee increase of six percent. She noted that the yearly cycle of strategic planning was followed. Lori Rasitch, Associated

Student Body President-Elect, addressed the Board and pointed out that LCSC is the lowest priced of the four-year institutions.

Ron Smith, Vice President for Administrative Services at Lewis-Clark State College, explained that LCSC needs to fund their increased growth. Matt Smith, student senator, discussed the strategies and approaches that were used by the students as they collaborated with the administration. He noted it has been a positive experience this year. President Rasitch thanked President Thomas.

e. <u>Eastern Idaho Technical College</u>

M/S (Lewis/McGee): To approve the tuition and fee rates for FY 2007 for Eastern Idaho Technical College as set forth in Tab 13e. *Motion carried unanimously.*

At this time the Board discussed the agenda for the following day and agreed to defer the legislative report (item 7 of the Planning, Policy and Governmental Affairs agenda) until the end of the meeting and to move through the rest of the agenda in order, starting with the Idaho Technology Grant Program funding recommendations (item 5 of the Instruction, Research and Student Affairs agenda). They also agreed to bring back the College of Art and Architecture professional fee issue just prior to moving onto the Department of Education agenda.

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed.

M/S (Hall/McGee): To adjourn for the night at 9:00 p.m. and reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on April 21, 2006. *Motion carried unanimously.*

The Open Session was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Board President Lewis.

INSTRUCTION, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS – continued

5. Idaho Technology Grant Program FY 2007 Grant Funding Recommendations

M/S (Terrell/Agidius): To approve funding for projects as exhibited on the FY 2007 Idaho Technology Incentive Grant Program Proposals document. And, request the institutions to submit additional proposals for the remainder of their allocation. And, request institutions to either focus on using technology to improve instruction or to focus on new technologies with the understanding that the criteria and the process for awarding FY 2008 grants will be reviewed prior to releasing the RFP. *Motion carried unanimously*.

Marilyn Davis presented this item. She noted that the committee reviewing the grants found there was not enough innovation or creativity in the grants last year. This year, the committee requested that institutions either focus on using technology to improve instruction or to focus on new technologies. Proposals were accepted based on merit.

\$605,000 was not funded and the committee recommended putting those funds out for another round of RFP's. Board member Terrell encouraged the Board to give clear direction to this committee for next year.

Board President Lewis clarified the motion is to approve the funds listed in Tab 5 and the conditional awards when the conditions have been met that the Committee has imposed. Dr. Howard noted that the conditional on the UI's Improving Middle School Mathematics didn't have a dollar amount. Marilyn Davis explained that the budget figure exceeded the outcomes of that proposal, so the committee chose not to impose a number on it. There was discussion about what the Board was being asked to approve and whether or not to drop this particular line item from the agenda until it is a firm amount attached to it. Board member Hall clarified that the funds cannot be distributed without Board approval.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Section I – Human Resources

1. Boise State University – Men's Head Football Coach Contract

M/S (Hall/McGee): To approve the Employment Contract and Addendum Number 1 (one) to Employment Agreement for Chris Petersen, head football coach at Boise State University. *Motion carried unanimously*.

Board member Terrell presented this item. Dr. Robert Kustra noted that the contract included a provision to reflect the Academic Progress Rate qualifier and that Chris Petersen asked that the APR be increased because he recognized the importance of that factor.

Board President Lewis noted the contract included several alternative payment schemes. Kevin Satterlee explained the compensation package and indicated that BSU's contract with the media outlet specified the amount that can be paid directly to the coach. Board member Hall clarified that the separate commission to receive compensation from the media outlets is consistent with what takes place with other coaches and other institutions, with Board approval. Board member Terrell noted that the Board Office needed the signed contract.

Dr. Howard asked about the potential for a total salary. Kevin Satterlee explained that in an optimum situation, the coach's salary would be in the range of \$715,000. Board member Terrell noted that the base salary is \$141, 744.

2. Boise State University - New Development Positions

M/S (McGee/Thilo): To approve the request by Boise State University for eight (8) new development positions supported by local funds. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Dr. Kustra introduced Rick Frisch, Vice President of University Advancement. Dr. Kustra explained that the requested positions are funded primarily by local funds. Mr. Frisch

discussed the purpose of the campaign and a handout was distributed for the Board to review. Board member McGee commended BSU for taking this action and made a motion supporting it.

Section II - Finance

1. Boise State University - Chaffee Hall Remodel Project

M/S (Stone/Agidius): To authorize Boise State University to proceed, through the Division of Public Works, with remodeling Chaffee Hall, at a total cost not to exceed \$1,025,000, for purposes of addressing deferred maintenance and facility upgrade issues. Revenues are to come from housing reserve funds. *Motion carried unanimously.*

2. Boise State University – Transit Center Project

M/S (Thilo/McGee): To approve a request by Boise State University to construct a Mass Transit Center adjacent to the Student Union Building, at a cost not to exceed \$2,200,000, funds to come from a \$1.76 million grant from the Federal Transportation Authority and local matching funds in the amount of \$440,000 from institutional parking revenue. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Stacy Pearson, Boise State University, explained that this item was presented to the Board at a previous meeting. She noted that this center will connect to the downtown transit center and clarified that the fees approved by the Board yesterday were for the parking deck adjacent to the SUB. This is not part of that deck, but rather across from the SUB.

3. Boise State University – Printing Equipment Lease

M/S (Agidius/Howard): To authorize Boise State University to enter into a five-year lease-contract for a digital color printing press for an amount not to exceed \$660,000. *Motion carried unanimously.*

4. Boise State University – Food Service Contract

M/S (McGee/Thilo): To authorize Boise State University to execute a new food service contract following completion of Division of Purchasing procedures, and to authorize the Executive Director of the State Board of Education to approve the final contract before execution by the university, subject to review by the Board's legal counsel. *Motion carried unanimously.*

5. Boise State University - Student Health Insurance Plan Renewal and Report

M/S (Thilo/Hall): To authorize Boise State University to renew the contract with CRM, Inc., to provide student health insurance for 2006-2007, at a rate of \$496.00 per full-time semester student. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Stacy Pearson, Boise State University, reported that BSU is seeking approval so that they can publish the rates to the students. The university will re-bid the health insurance contract in the coming year because this contract will expire.

6. <u>Item Pulled from the Agenda</u>

Jeff Shinn noted this item was related to a management contract for a residence hall at Lewis-Clark State College and will be brought to the Board in June for consideration.

7. Community Colleges – General Fund Allocation Process

M/S (Terrell/Hall): To deny this request. Motion carried 5-3 (Howard, Thilo and Stone dissenting).

Jeff Shinn presented this item. He noted it had been deferred from the February 2006 meeting. It needs Board approval per legislative intent.

Board member Terrell indicated that the decision regarding the establishment of additional community colleges in Idaho has yet to be decided. He made a motion to deny the request. Board member Hall agreed and clarified that the interim legislative committee will study the community college question over the summer.

President Jerry Beck of College of Southern Idaho reported on the steps taken by the two institutions to reach an agreement. He indicated that North Idaho College President Michael Burke had written a letter in favor of the agreement. Board member Howard disagreed with negating the effort made by CSI and NIC to reach an agreement this year. Board member Stone concurred.

Board member Hall commended the work of CSI and NIC. He suggested that a delay gives the Board time to make sure all the relevant factors have been taken into consideration. He asked the Board's Executive Committee to appoint a subcommittee to meet with CSI and NIC and review the process and agreement. Board President Lewis took his request under advisement.

8. <u>Amendment of Board Policy V.Q. – Deposits and Miscellaneous Receipts – First</u> Reading

M/S (McGee/Agidius): To approve for first reading the revisions to the Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures, Sections V.Q. *Motion carried unanimously.*

9. First Reading to Update Board Policy on the Establishment of Tuition and Fees

M/S (Hall/Agidius): To table the first reading of the Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures, Sections V.R., and refer it back to the Business Affairs and Human Resource committee for further study and review. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Board member Hall expressed appreciation to the Board staff and others who have worked on revising this policy. He noted his discomfort with the language on professional fees and suggested reworking the policy before a first reading so that the final approval of professional fees lies with the Board. Board President Lewis agreed and also noted that the depth and breadth of what is being proposed is expansive and goes beyond professional fees.

Stacy Pearson, Boise State University, discussed the process taken in revising the Board fee policy. She agreed it made sense to review the policy again. She asked the Board to consider more discussion about self-supporting programs.

Board member Hall made a motion to table the item in order to give the Business Affairs and Human Resources committee the opportunity to review and rewrite the policy before bringing the policy back for first reading. Board staff agreed to make sure that the financial VP's had clear directives about what the Board wants addressed.

10. Amendment of Board Policy III.T.4. - Intercollegiate Athletics - First Reading

M/S (Stone/Agidius): To approve for first reading the changes to Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures, Section III.T.4. – Intercollegiate Athletics. *Motion carried 6-0 (Hall and Lewis absent during the vote).*

Jeff Shinn presented this item.

11. <u>Amendment of Board Policy Bylaws – Finance Audit Committee – First Reading</u>

M/S (Agidius/Hall): To approve for first reading the changes to Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures, Bylaws, Section H., Committees of the Board; to revise the name of the Business Affairs and Human Resources Committee to the Finance Committee; and to remove the responsibility of selecting the external auditor. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Jeff Shinn presented this item. He noted that the human resource function will remain with the Finance Committee. Board member Agidius clarified that the process for hiring the auditor, including the cost, would be approved by the Board even though that cost is borne by the individual institutions. Board member Terrell indicated that on second reading he wanted to see other Board policies related to this one for comparison.

12. Federal Funds for Education – Summary Report

M/S (McGee/Agidius): To direct staff to draft a policy relating to the oversight and administration of federal education funds in Idaho, specifically as referenced in Idaho Code 33-110. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Jeff Shinn introduced this item. Board member McGee noted that the Board is the SEA (state educational agency) for the State of Idaho. She explained that written policy would clarify the role and responsibility of the Board and provide checks and balances for housekeeping purposes.

Sandra DeKlotz of the Board Office emphasized that a formalized written procedure that defined expectations would help avoid future confusion. She noted that the Board needed the information in order to provide assurance to the U.S. Department of Education that Idaho is spending down federal funds. Board member McGee reiterated that this motion simply directs Board staff to draft a policy for the Board to discuss and review.

Dr. Howard responded that Idaho Department of Education did not view this action as necessary, appropriate, or clearly discussed with the SDE. She indicated that there had been no clear communication with her staff or with other agencies under the Board about the purpose of gathering the funding information. She emphasized that this effort had major implications for the SDE because most of what appears in the agenda materials falls under the purview of the SDE. She reminded the Board that their role is one of oversight and not micromanaging. Dr. Howard noted that the SDE has no objection to sending quarterly reports on federal funds. She also explained there are no issues with funds returned to the U.S. Department because they come from formula grants and the state has nothing to do with that except to follow the law. Dr. Howard noted that this proposal appeared to require the SDE to get permission prior to writing a grant proposal and then having the grant reviewed by the Board before the SDE could send it. She reiterated that this effort was an attempt to micromanage the responsibilities that the Department is charged to carry out.

Sandra DeKlotz indicated that the information appearing in the agenda was requested from the agencies in December and her understanding is that the agencies were aware of the purpose of requesting the information. Dr. Howard reiterated that the SDE was not notified.

Board member Agidius noted that the motion simply directs staff to draft policies which would define what grants are out and how the funds are flowing. Board member McGee clarified that agencies won't need to ask permission, but simply notify the Board if they are

writing a grant so that the Board is informed. She explained that this was not an attempt to micromanage, but rather an effort to avoid duplication.

Board President Lewis agreed that a draft policy would be beneficial. Dr. Howard agreed to vote for the motion as long as the documents put forth in the agenda are not part of the motion. It was so stated by the Board President.

(Note: Item 13 was handled earlier in the agenda.)

14. <u>Tuition Waiver Reports for Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho and Lewis-Clark State College</u>

M/S (Thilo/Agidius): To accept the Nonresident Tuition Waiver – Fall, 2005 reports for Boise State University, Idaho State University, the University of Idaho, and Lewis-Clark State College as presented on pages 5-13 of Tab 14. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Jeff Shinn presented this item. Board President Lewis noted that the waivers at the University of Idaho are substantially higher and asked if UI has examined the total amount. He suggested those funds could bring additional funds to the institution. Dr. White agreed that the figures were worth studying and asked to provide a response at a later time. Jeff Shinn explained that the UI uses the High Tech and Disadvantage fee waivers in unique ways to attract students who might not otherwise come to the UI. They use these waivers to help shape the enrollment policy.

15. FY 2007 Appropriations

Jeff Shinn presented this item noting that several were for information only.

- a. Information Institutions and Agencies
- b. <u>Employee Compensation Information Item</u>
- c. Colleges and Universities

M/S (Terrell/Hall): To approve the allocation of the FY 2007 legislative appropriations contained in Senate Bill 1444 and House Bill 844 for Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College, and system-wide needs, as presented on page 3. The Executive Director is authorized to make technical adjustments as needed. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Jeff Shinn discussed this item and noted that additional detail appears on 15c page 3 of the agenda materials. The motion allows the Executive Director to approve technical adjustments if necessary.

d. Community Colleges

M/S (Howard/Hall): To approve the FY 2007 allocation of general funds for community college support as follows: \$11,227,300 to the College of Southern Idaho and \$10,873,600 to North Idaho College as shown on line 20 of page 3, Tab 15d. Motion carried 7-1 (Stone dissenting).

Jeff Shinn noted that based on the action taken earlier, different dollar amounts would go to NIC and CSI. The motion reflects the new numbers.

e. Professional-Technical Education

M/S (Stone/Thilo): To approve the request from the Division of Professional-Technical Education for the allocation of FY 2007 appropriation as detailed in Exhibit A, on page 3-4 of Tab 15e. *Motion carried unanimously.*

f. Promise B Scholarship

M/S (Stone/Thilo): To approve the amount of the Idaho Promise Scholarship, Category B, to be \$250 per semester per student (\$500 annually) for those current recipients who maintain eligibility and for qualified first year entering students under the age of 22 in the academic year 2006-2007. *Motion carried unanimously.*

It was clarified that the age limit is a statutory requirement.

The Board returned to the Instruction, Research and Student Affairs agenda, item 1 and the discussion of the Art and Architecture fees at this time.

INSRUCTION, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS (return to item 1)

1. <u>University of Idaho – College of Art and Architecture</u>

M/S (Hall/Terrell): To approve the request by the UI to reactivate the reconfigured College of Art and Architecture and to approve the establishment of a professional fee for the following programs within the College: Virtual Technology and Design in addition to the existing approved programs in Architecture and Landscape Architecture; and including appropriate fees for all appropriate years for architecture. *Motion carried unanimously*.

Substitute Motion/S (Howard/Stone): To accept the previous motion in its entirety with the addition of the Studio Arts program for the application of a professional fee. *Motion failed 4-4 (Hall, Terrell, McGee and Agidius dissenting).*

Dr. Tim White focused the Board on the topic of professional fees to be paid by the students attending the College of Art and Architecture. Dr. White submitted modified proposals for the Board's consideration. He explained that the students in the Virtual Technology and Design and the Studio Art programs could be charged professional fees. Bill Woolston explained the reasoning of selecting those two programs and discussed the various credits/courses that would fall into the category of being considered professional, particularly at the upper levels.

Board member Hall clarified that if the course itself is not in the pursuit of a professional degree through the College, but is one that is taken as a requirement for graduation, the student would have to pay a lab fee for periodic courses.

Board member Thilo asked about the rationale for not charging professional fees for first year Art and Architecture students. She suggested UI and the Board may want to revisit that option at some future time.

Board member Terrell noted that in terms of the necessary resources to get the College fully reactivated, the Board and the institution can only do so much. He and Board member Hall suggested that the group of folks who repeatedly expressed strong interest to the Board for the College to be reactivated needed to come forward with resources.

Bill Woolston provided clarification on course/lab fees and noted that a student paying professional fees would not have to pay course or lab fees.

At this time, the Board returned to the Business Affairs and Human Resources agenda, Tab 13c Page 6 and the UI Tuition and Fee Request for the

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES – Section II – Finance – Item 13c

13.c. University of Idaho

M/S (Lewis/Agidus): To approve the Professional Fees for Art and Architecture as follows: a 9.94% increase for fulltime students and an 8.57% increase for part-time students. *Motion carried unanimously.*

During the discussion, Board member Terrell made a unanimous consent motion having to do with what the Board should recognize in terms of the various foundations. Board member Hall objected. He indicated his opposition to the Board recognizing stand-alone foundations. He encouraged the College of Art and Architecture Foundation to work with the UI Foundation in a cohesive manner for the overall benefit of students. Board member Terrell concurred as did the other Board members and he withdrew his unanimous consent motion.

At the conclusion of the vote, Dr. White confirmed for the Board that the four essential points highlighted in his opening presentation had been addressed. The list of four included (1) reactivating the College of Art and Architecture, (2) authorizing the Dean

position, (3) authorizing student fee increases, and (4) changing the name of the existing Department of Architecture to the Department of Architecture and Interior Design to better reflect the departmental composition.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Consent Agenda

M/S (Howard/Hall): To approve the following items for the consent agenda: B, C, E, F, G, I, J, K, and L; and to approve the consent agenda.

The motion was amended to exclude item J. Motion carried unanimously.

B. <u>Letters of Authorization</u>

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the requests for Letters of Authorization as submitted by the Professional Standards Commission.

C. <u>Professional Standards Commission Nomination</u>

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the recommendation as submitted by the State Department of Education to appoint Mr. Larry Thurgood, to complete the last year of a three-year term on the Professional Standards Commission.

E. Administrative Staff Allowance Waiver Requests

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the requests by Moscow School District #281 and Shoshone Joint School District #312 for additional administrative staff to meet accreditation standards.

F. Weiser Tuition Waiver Request

By unanimous consent the Board approved the request by the Weiser School District Board of Trustees for a waiver of approximately \$76.16 per month per student of the tuition to be charged by the Weiser District to the Annex Oregon School District for services to high school students for four years (2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10).

G. Revisions to IDAPA 08.02.02, Rules Governing Uniformity: Idaho Standards for Initial Certification (incorporated documents)

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02, Rules Governing Uniformity, and to approve the proposed standards as submitted and defined in Attachments 2-5 of Tab G.

I. <u>Revisions to IDAPA 08.02.02.</u>, <u>Rules Governing Uniformity: Selected Educator General</u> Education Requirements

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02, Rules Governing Uniformity, as submitted.

K. Praxis II Assessment for Alternative Routes to Exceptional Child Certificate

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the Professional Standards Commission recommendation that Praxis II #0511: Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge be required as an entry requirement for those seeking an Exceptional Child Certificate via the Teacher to New Certification or Content Specialist to Teacher Alternative Routes.

L. Praxis II Assessments for Fundamental Subjects and Middle Level Mathematics

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the Professional Standards Commission recommendation that Praxis II #0511: Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge be required for the Exceptional Child Certificate and Praxis II #0069: Middle School Mathematics be required for the Basic Mathematics Endorsement.

Regular Agenda

A. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Howard reported on successes in Idaho's public schools including improved reading test scores and scores for the Direct Writing Exams. Dr. Howard reported that the Idaho Adolescent Literacy Summit will be held in May as a result of a collaborative effort between the Office of the Governor and the State Department of Education. An area of concern nationally is in leadership and the Department has been working with administrators on the strategies necessary for successful teaching practices.

Dr. Howard noted that the legislation related to the accountability plan is an issue the Board needs to address in the future. It will be a topic of interest at the school level related to timelines among other things. Executive Director Dwight Johnson indicated that the Board office plans to bring that item to the Board in June.

Dr. Howard mentioned a letter from a testing company, regarding the Board's RFP that suggests the RFP is written in a way that only the current vendor can qualify. Dwight Johnson explained legal and programmatic staff have reviewed the RFP and are not in agreement with the letter's assertions. The Board office has responded in writing to the testing company and he will forward a copy of that response to Dr. Howard. Board member Hall thanked Dwight Johnson noting he also had concerns related to the assertions in the letter.

D. 2005-2006 Accreditation Summary Report of Districts and Schools

M/S (Howard/Terrell): To approve the 2005-2006 Accreditation Summary Report of Idaho Districts and Schools as amended with today's addition. *Motion carried unanimously.*.

Dr. Jana Jones discussed this item and the terms the schools had to meet in order to get accreditation. She provided a list of additional schools that moved from Advised to Approved to the Board. Dr. Jones noted that the schools that are on Advised status have been notified what steps they need to take to be moved off of Advised status. She explained that only when a school is not accredited is there an implication for students. The Department works with the schools to assure that they don't become unaccredited.

At this time, the Board agreed, by unanimous consent to move to the matter of appointing officers for the coming term.

OTHER BUSINSS -- ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. President Elect

M/S (Lewis/Hall): To appoint Laird Stone as President of the Board for the coming year. *Motion carried 7-0 (Stone abstained).*

2. Vice President Elect

M/S (Hall/McGee): To appoint Milford Terrell as Vice President of the Board for the coming year. *Motion carried 7-0 (Terrell abstained).*

3. Secretary Elect

M/S (Thilo/Stone): To appoint Paul Agidius as Secretary of the Board for the coming year. *Motion carried 7-0 (Agidius abstained).*

(Note: At this time Board members Hall and McGee were excused from the meeting in order to catch their plane.)

DEPARTMENTOF EDUCATION AGENDA – Regular Agenda (continued)

H. Revisions to IDAPA 08.02.02, Rules Governing Uniformity: Selected Educator Endorsement Requirements

M/S (Howard/Agidius): To approve the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.02, Rules Governing Uniformity, as requested and submitted by the Professional Standards Commission. *Motion carried 6-0 (Hall and McGee absent).*

J. Revisions to IDAPA 08.02.03, Rules Governing Thoroughness: K-12 Content Standards

M/S (Howard/Thilo): To approve the proposed rule amendment to IDAPA 08.02.03, Rules Governing Uniformity, to incorporate by reference the Idaho Content Standards into State Board Rule as submitted. *Motion carried 6-0 (Hall and McGee absent).*

The Board discussed educational standards that will be incorporated by reference instead of rule. The standards will be named content standards instead of achievement standards.

M. Provisional Authorization Certificate

Dr. Jana Jones explained school districts sometimes need to make emergency hires, but educators must have the appropriate certification. The provisional certificate will allow payment to the district in case of an emergency hire.

N. <u>Proposed Rule for IDAPA 08.02.03</u>, <u>Rules Governing Thoroughness: Approval of Performance Standards for Idaho Alternative As</u>sessments

M/S (Howard/Thilo): To approve the Idaho Alternate Assessment student achievement levels and the Idaho Alternate Assessment cut scores as submitted and defined in Attachments N.1 and N2. *Motion carried 6-0 (Hall and McGee absent).*

Dr. Jana Jones explained the Department has been given a positive peer review on Idaho's Alternative Assessment. The state of Idaho is now a model for other states in alternate assessments.

OTHER BUSINESS

Board President Lewis announced that the Board will appoint a committee to look at state funding for existing community colleges.

There being no other business, a motion was made to adjourn.

M/S (Thilo/Stone): To adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 (Hall and McGee absent).

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